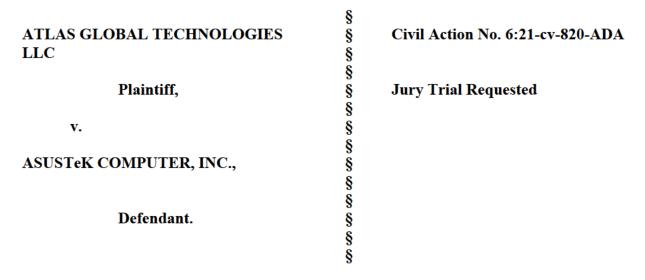
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS WACO DIVISION



SCHEDULING ORDER

On June 2, 2022 (fourteen days after the filing date of the Case Readiness Status Report, Dkt. No. 40), the Court effectively conducted a conference in the above entitled and numbered case. All parties appeared through counsel. As a result of such hearing, and pursuant to Rule 16, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court ORDERS that the following schedule will govern deadlines up to and including the trial of this matter:

Date	Event
July 21, 2022	Defendant serves preliminary invalidity
(7 weeks after CMC)	contentions in the form of (1) a chart setting forth where in the prior art references each element of the asserted claim(s) are found, (2) an identification of any limitations the Defendant contends are indefinite or lack written description under section 112, and (3) an identification of any claims the Defendant contends are directed to ineligible subject matter under section 101. Defendant shall also produce (1) all prior art referenced in the invalidity contentions, and (2) technical

	documents, including software where applicable, sufficient to show the operation of the accused product(s).
August 4, 2022	Parties exchange claim terms for construction.
(9 weeks after CMC)	
August 18, 2022	Parties exchange proposed claim
(11 weeks after CMC)	constructions.
August 18, 2022	Parties disclose extrinsic evidence. The parties
(12 weeks after CMC)	shall disclose any extrinsic evidence, including the identity of any expert witness they may rely upon with respect to claim construction or indefiniteness. With respect to any expert identified, the parties shall identify the scope of the topics for the witness's expected testimony. With respect to items of extrinsic evidence, the parties shall identify each such item by production number or produce a copy of any such item if not previously produced.
August 25, 2022 (13 weeks after CMC)	Deadline to meet and confer to narrow terms in dispute and exchange revised list of terms/constructions.
September 1, 2022	Defendant files Opening claim construction
(14 weeks after CMC)	brief, including any arguments that any claim terms are indefinite.
September 22, 2022	Plaintiff files Responsive claim construction
(17 weeks after CMC)	brief.
October 6, 2022	Defendant files Reply claim construction brief.
(19 weeks after CMC)	
October 6, 2022	Parties to jointly email the law clerks (see OGP
(19 weeks after CMC)	at 1) to confirm their <i>Markman</i> date and to notify if any venue or jurisdictional motions remain unripe for resolution.
October 20, 2022	Plaintiff files a Sur-Reply claim construction
(21 weeks after CMC)	brief.

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¹ Any party may utilize a rebuttal expert in response to a brief where expert testimony is relied upon by the other party.

October 25, 2022 (3 business days after submission of sur-reply)	Parties submit Joint Claim Construction Statement and email the law clerks an editable copy.
	See General Issues Note #7 regarding providing copies of the briefing to the Court and the technical advisor (if appointed).
October 27, 2022	Parties submit optional technical tutorials to
(22 weeks after CMC, but at least 10 days before Markman hearing)	the Court and technical advisor (if appointed).
November 3, 2022 (or as soon as practicable) ²	Markman Hearing at 9:00 a.m. This date is a
(23 weeks after CMC)	placeholder and the Court may adjust this date as the Markman hearing approaches.
November 4, 2022	Fact Discovery opens; deadline to serve Initial
(1 business day after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	Disclosures per Rule 26(a).
December 15, 2022	Deadline to add parties.
(6 weeks after Markman hearing)	
January 12, 2023	Deadline to serve Final Infringement
(10 weeks after Markman hearing)	Contentions. After this date, leave of Court is required for any amendment to infringement contentions. This deadline does not relieve the parties of their obligation to seasonably amend if new information is identified after initial contentions.
January 26, 2023	Deadline to serve Final Invalidity Contentions.
(12 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	After this date, leave of Court is required for any amendment to invalidity contentions. This deadline does not relieve the parties of their obligation to seasonably amend if new information is identified after initial contentions.
February 23, 2023	Deadline to amend pleadings. A motion is not
(16 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	required unless the amendment adds patents or patent claims. (Note: This includes amendments in response to a 12(c) motion.)

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 $^{^{2}}$ All deadlines hereafter follow the original Markman hearing date and do not change if the Court delays the Markman hearing.

May 4, 2023	Deadline for the first of two meet and confers
(26 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	to discuss significantly narrowing the number of claims asserted and prior art references at issue. Unless the parties agree to the narrowing, they are ordered to contact the Court's law clerk to arrange a teleconference with the Court to resolve the disputed issues.
May 25, 2023	Close of Fact Discovery. Fact discovery must
(29 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	be completed by this date. Any fact discovery requests must be propounded so that the responses are due by this date.
June 1, 2023	Opening Expert Reports.
(30 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	
June 29, 2023	Rebuttal Expert Reports.
(34 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	
July 27, 2023	Close of Expert Discovery.
(38 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	
August 3, 2023 (39 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	Deadline for the second of two meet and confers to discuss narrowing the number of claims asserted and prior art references at issue to triable limits. If it helps the parties determine these limits, the parties are encouraged to contact the Court's law clerk for an estimate of the amount of trial time anticipated per side. The parties shall file a Joint Report within 5 business days regarding the results of the meet and confer.
August 10, 2023 (40 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	Dispositive motion deadline and <i>Daubert</i> motion deadline. The Court does not limit the number of
	motions for summary judgment (MSJs) and Daubert motions a party may file. However, absent leave of Court, the cumulative page limit for opening briefs for all MSJs is 40 pages per side, and for all Daubert motions is 40 pages per side. Each responsive MSJ and Daubert is limited to the pages utilized in the opening brief or by the local rules, whichever is greater; and the cumulative pages for responsive briefs shall be no more than cumulative pages utilized in the opening

	briefs. Reply brief page limits shall be governed by the local rules.
	See General Issues Note #7 regarding providing copies of the briefing to the Court and the technical advisor (if appointed).
August 24, 2023 (42 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	Serve Pretrial Disclosures (jury instructions, exhibits lists, witness lists, discovery and deposition designations).
September 7, 2023 (44 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	Serve objections to pretrial disclosures/rebuttal disclosures.
September 14, 2023 (45 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	Serve objections to rebuttal disclosures; file Motions in limine. The Court does not limit the number of Motions in limine (MIL) a party may file. However, absent leave of Court, the cumulative page limit for all MILs is 15 pages per side. Each responsive MIL brief is limited to the pages utilized in the opening brief or by the local rules, whichever is greater; and the cumulative pages for responsive briefs shall be no more than cumulative pages utilized in the opening briefs. Reply brief page limits shall be governed by the local rules.
September 21, 2023 (46 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	File Joint Pretrial Order and Pretrial Submissions (jury instructions, exhibits lists, witness lists, discovery and deposition designations); file oppositions to motions in limine
September 28, 2023 (47 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	File Notice of Request for Daily Transcript or Real Time Reporting. If a daily transcript or real time reporting of court proceedings is requested for trial, the party or parties making said request shall file a notice with the Court and email the Court Reporter, Kristie Davis at kmdaviscsr@yahoo.com Deadline to meet and confer regarding remaining objections and disputes on motions in limine.

October 9, 2023 (8 weeks before trial)	Parties to jointly email the Court's law clerk (See OGP at 1) to confirm their pretrial conference and trial dates.
October 9, 2023 (3 business days before Final Pretrial Conference)	File joint notice identifying remaining objections to pretrial disclosures and disputes on motions <i>in limine</i> .
October 12, 2023 (or as soon as practicable) (49 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	Final Pretrial Conference. Held in person unless otherwise requested. The parties shall provide to the Court an agreed jury charge with supported objections of each party, and proposed questions for the jury, at the final Pre-Trial Conference.
November 6, 2023 (or as soon as practicable) ³	Jury Selection/Trial.
(≈52 weeks after <i>Markman</i> hearing)	After the trial date is set, the Court will not move the trial date except in extreme situations. If a party believes that the circumstances warrant continuing the trial date, the parties are directed to contact the Court's law clerk

SIGNED this 27th day of June, 2022.

ALAN D ALBRIGHT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

³ If the actual trial date materially differs from the Court's default schedule, the Court will consider reasonable amendments to the case schedule post-*Markman* that are consistent with the Court's default deadlines in light of the actual trial date.